

APPEAL NO. 030151
FILED MARCH 7, 2003

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing (CCH) was held on December 20, 2002. The hearing officer resolved the disputed issues by deciding that the respondent (claimant) sustained a compensable injury on _____, and that the claimant had disability from March 20, 2002, through the date of the CCH. The appellant (carrier) appealed the hearing officer's decision. The claimant's response requests that we affirm the hearing officer's decision.

DECISION

Affirmed.

The claimant had the burden to prove that he sustained a compensable injury as defined by Section 401.011(10) and that he had disability as defined by Section 401.011(16). Conflicting evidence was presented at the CCH. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility of the evidence. Section 410.165(a). As the finder of fact, the hearing officer resolves the conflicts in the evidence and determines what facts have been established. Although there is conflicting evidence in this case, the hearing officer's determinations on the disputed issues are supported by the claimant's testimony and by the reports of the treating doctor. The hearing officer's decision is supported by sufficient evidence and is not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong and unjust. Cain v. Bain, 709 S.W.2d 175 (Tex. 1986).

We affirm the hearing officer's decision and order.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **UNION STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

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Robert W. Potts
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

Chris Cowan
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Roy L. Warren
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